

Dear Mr. Strokes,

I found a part of your message most infuriating:

" The Workshop's expert scientists concluded that in vitro methods would require further development before they could accurately predict acute lethality of chemicals, and therefore replace animals"

With all do respect, animal research gives no applicable data on the toxicity new substances to humans!

Physiological, genetic and mollecular in the cellular level diffrences between speices makes it so, and I am sure the workshops expert scientists are aware of that.

Thus, the claim that the in vitro method is less than perfect is rather odd.

If in vitro data is less than perfect, animal research data is mostly useless.

Refinement and Reduction is well and truely the right path, but if the research will still be based on animal research data than it will still be as misleading as previous researches. History has paved the proof to this claim with numerous calamities.

Applicable data will still be reached as late as the clinical trials or epidemolgical research of accidents and human risk will not decrease.

It is time to admit the failure of the animal model in predicting human toxicity and stop illuding the vast public about the value of animal research data,

But above all it's time to stop this damage to humanity because of the reliance on inapplicable data of animal research.

A great deal of people's lives and medical condition is at stake.

Best regards,

Tamir Lousky,